

# Frequently Asked Questions

## Integrated Asset Management in Michigan

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### Terms and Acronyms:

<b>MIC</b>	Michigan Infrastructure Council
<b>TAMC</b>	Transportation Asset Management Council
<b>WAMC</b>	Water Asset Management Council

1. *What assets are included in Michigan's Integrated Infrastructure Asset Management strategy?*

The MIC, TAMC, and WAMC are working together to address “integrated infrastructure” including the following assets:

- Transportation: Roads, Bridges, Culverts, Signals
- Water: Drinking Water, Wastewater, Storm Water
- Energy: Gas, Electric
- Telecommunications

2. *What is asset Management?*

Asset Management is a process used in decision-making. It helps organizations care for the infrastructure that delivers valuable services to our communities in a way that considers service needs of the community, manages risks and opportunities, and uses resources wisely.

Asset Management is not just data, a person, or a plan. It is a culture woven into every level of an organization and can be developed through the incorporation of basic asset management principles.

3. *How can I learn more about Infrastructure Asset Management in Michigan?*

There are a number of resources available on the council websites:

- MIC - [michigan.gov/mic](http://michigan.gov/mic)
- TAMC - [michigan.gov/tamc](http://michigan.gov/tamc)
- WAMC – [michigan.gov/egle](http://michigan.gov/egle)

4. *What are my community's current obligations with regard to asset inventory/data collection and asset management plans?*

There are no asset inventory/data collection requirements at this time.

Asset Management Plan templates are currently in development by TAMC and WAMC. These templates are due October 1, 2019. The TAMC and WAMC will work with affected entities to schedule, review, and submit the required asset management plans on a three-year cycle.

5. *Who is required to submit an Asset Management Plan?*

**Transportation Asset Management Plan:** Jurisdictions that currently certify 100+ miles of roadway (Includes the State of Michigan, all 83 counties, and 39 of Michigan's largest cities).

**Water Asset Management Plan:** Infrastructure owners serving >1000 individuals and currently required to have an asset management plan through

- Safe Drinking Water Act (drinking water) OR
- National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit (Approximately 600 systems meet these criteria in Michigan)

6. *Can my community use the Transportation and/or Water Asset Management Plan templates, even if we are not required to submit a plan?*

Yes. The Asset Management Plan Template(s) follow best practice asset management principles that can be applied to any jurisdiction.

7. *Is there funding available to assist with asset management education and data inventory/collection?*

- Twelve Michigan regions were provided one-time funding to host Communication and Collaboration summits in the Spring and Fall of 2019. These summits are intended for cross-asset coordination and educational purposes and offered free-of-charge to interested participants. Information about the summits can be found at: [michigan.gov/mic](http://michigan.gov/mic)

There are no data collection/inventory requirements at this time.

8. *How do I coordinate with other infrastructure asset owners/managers?*

The Communication and Collaboration summits will be hosted regionally in the Spring and Fall of 2019. These summits will allow asset owners/managers to meet and engage with peers across assets and across the state.

9. *Where can I direct questions?*

General questions may be directed to the Michigan Infrastructure Council.

Email: [mic@michigan.gov](mailto:mic@michigan.gov)

Questions regarding Transportation Asset Management Plans and Requirements:

Website: [michigan.gov/tamc](http://michigan.gov/tamc)

Questions regarding Water Asset Management Plans and Requirements:

Website: [michigan.gov/egle](http://michigan.gov/egle)